

SUBJECT: Documentation of Research Reports

1. I believe the list of sources and appendix on methodology should accompany the printed version of each and every ~~intelligence~~ research report in the field of economic intelligence for the following reasons:

a. Such reports form and become part of a foundation, which can be use to ~~maximize~~ support ~~other~~ research.

b. Consumers can judge better the depth, nature, and quality of the research ~~and~~ behind a particular report if the sources and methodology are given in the report.

c. Coordination is facilitated, not only between US ~~and~~ counterparts [REDACTED] 25X1X7

d. Creditation of ~~research~~ parts of the report to specified sources is ~~good scholarship~~ one of the aspects of good scholarship. If documentation ^{I believe ~~it~~} is not contained in the final report, ~~it will be discarded~~ ~~maximize the accuracy of the documentation and its value~~ that gradually documentation would be reduced and eventually eliminated. Then our reports would resemble even more closely those [REDACTED] which are not really useful to 25X1X7 us in our research work. Undocumented reports would, in my estimation, invite poor scholarship.

e. Documentation in a published report becomes ~~important~~ as much a part of the record as does the report itself. Years after the research is completed and the report published, one can ~~find~~ discover and from the list of sources the extent of the research ^{and} evaluate better the validity of conclusions, ~~and~~ [REDACTED] 25X1A9a